

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Noriaki KITAHARA  
SERIAL NO: NEW APPLICATION  
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FOR: DISTRIBUTED SIMULATION SYSTEM

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**REFERENCES**

The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.  
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**STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY**

**Reference AO (10-198653) on Form PTO-1449:**

In this document, a simulation management apparatus is provided with an input/output device having a user interface function, and thereby the user can control simulation based on the user's judgment from the simulation execution screen and simulation conditions.

**Reference AP (10-154084) on Form PTO-1449:**

This document discloses an instruction simulation method and system, which can simply carry out generation of an asynchronous event with desired controllability and reproducibility.

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